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SUBJ: CIVAIR: PANAM SCHEDULING PROBLEMS

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1. DRAWING ON GUIDANCE CONTAINED REFS A AND B, EMBOFF HELD CONSTRUCTIVE MEETING WITH SANDOR HUVOS AT HCAA AFTERNOON AUGUST 11 REGARDING PANAM SCHEDULING PROBLEMS.

2. HUVOS STRESSED THREE DIFFICULTIES WITH PROPOSED NEW SCHEDULE: (1) PANAM DID NOT REQUEST PERMISSION TO CHANGE SCHEDULE AND ROUTE BUT MERELY "NOTIFIED" HCAA OF CHANGE WITHOUT CONSULTING MALEV; (2) HCAA GAVE ITS APPROVAL FOR CURRENT PANAM SUMMER SCHEDULE THROUGH OCTOBER 31; THUS HCAA SOMEWHAT DISPLEASED BY PANAM'S UNILATERAL SWITCH TO SEPTEMBER 16; AND (3) HCAA AND MALEV HAVE NO PROBLEMS WITH PANAM'S PROPOSED THURSDAY BUDAPEST-FRANKFURT FLIGHT (WHEN MALEV DOES NOT COMPETE), BUT WISHES AT LEAST ONE HOUR SPREAD BETWEEN MALEV AND PANAM SATURDAY DEPARTURES.

3. HUVOS SYMPATHETIC TO PANAM PLIGHT AND COMPLEX SCHEDULING PROBLEM POSED BY FRANKFURT CONNECTION. HE REPEATEDLY EMPHASIZED THAT HCAA HANGUP IS WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SCHEDULE NOT WITH PANAM ITSELF. HE SUGGESTED THAT

PANAM WORK QUICKLY AND QUIETLY WITH MALEV TO FIND
MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SOLUTION AND VOLUNTEERED HIS
GOOD OFFICES AND FULL SUPPORT TOWARD THIS GOAL.

4. EMBOFF LATER MET WITH PANAM'S LAMBRICHTS TO
ADVISE HIM OF OUTCOME. LAMBRICHTS MOST APPRECIATIVE
OF DEPARTMENT'S AND EMBASSY'S COUNSEL AND WILL MEET
WITH MALEV IN ATTEMPT TO SALVAGE SITUATION.

5. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH HUVOS' FIRST LOYALTY OBVIOUSLY
LIES WITH MALEV, WE ARE REASONABLY SURE HE DOES NOT
WISH TO SEE PANAM PULL OUT OF BUDAPEST. WE BELIEVE
HE WILL ASSIST IN REACHING A SOLUTION SATISFACTORY TO
PANAM, MALEV, AND HCAA.
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